

MIT and Harvard presidents Susan J. Hockfield and Drew Faust announce edX during Wednesday's press conference.

MIT & Harvard join forces for edX

\$60 million project cements MIT's focus on online education

By Ethan A. Solomon
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

The world has come to expect great things when the university titans of Cambridge join forces. After all, Harvard and MIT led the international team that cracked the human genome together in 2003.

But now they're going after something wholly different — bringing university education online and making it freely available to the world.

Harvard and MIT announced on Wednesday a

major new partnership in the sphere of online learning, called "edX." The effort is an extension of MIT's own MITx initiative — announced last December — which is currently piloting an online circuits and electronics course to 120,000 students.

Harvard and MIT hope edX will enhance on-campus education at both institutions while bringing a Harvard/MIT education to anybody with an Internet connection. Both schools have pledged \$30 million in startup funding for edX.

The move cements online education as a top institutional priority for MIT from now on.

"What we will discover together will help us do what we do better — to more effectively, more cre-

atively, increase the vitality of our campuses — and at the

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Presidential search will likely conclude by June

Committee still interviewing candidates

By Ethan A. Solomon
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The search process to replace President Susan J. Hockfield is on-track to conclude by early June, according to MIT Corporation officials.

"I think it's progressing very well. The search has been intense," said James A. Champy '63, chair of the joint Corporation-faculty presidential search committee.

According to Champy, it is "highly possible" the search committee will complete its work by the June 7 Corporation meeting, though he noted that the committee would not compromise the thoroughness of the search for the sake of a timing requirement. If necessary, he said, the committee would continue its work into the summer.

Corporation Chairman John S. Reed '61, also a member of the committee, echoed Champy's sentiments.

"The likelihood is we're going to find an appropriate candidate certainly by the summer — which is what we had always hoped," he said.

Technically, the search committee must provide a list of names to the Corporation's Executive Committee, which in turn formally nominates candidates for president. The full MIT Corporation must vote to approve a candidate. In practice, the search committee's recommendations are the only ones given any serious consideration.

Champy and Reed said that if the committee succeeds in putting forth a name by early June, a new president could step into office as early as July 1, especially if the selection is someone already working at MIT. If the Corporation selects a leader from elsewhere, "it could be a matter of a few months," but "by September we would have a new

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Urine for a good time!



TIFFANY IRA HUANG—THE TECH

Protagonist Bobby Strong (Trevor J. Mulchay '15) leads a rebellion in the MIT Musical Theatre Guild's production of *Urinetown*, a "tale of greed, corruption, love, and revolution." The play will be performed on both Friday and Saturday evening at 8 p.m. in the Kresge Little Theater.

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The MITSO concert will take place tonight in Kresge at 8 p.m. Come hear the winner of MITSO's Concerto Competition and the world premiere of *Schrödinger's Cat*, an original student composition! Free tickets can be reserved online at <http://5-4-12mitso.eventbrite.com>. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

The first International Development Career Fair will take place Monday, May 7 in the Bush Room from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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MIT takes a second shot at Kendall

Plans for Random's block, extension to Infinite & riverwalk also

By John A. Hawkinson
STAFF REPORTER

MIT's new plan for the future of the Kendall Square and the Institute's eastern campus envisions an outdoor extension of the Infinite Corridor from E25 to E53, and a new open "riverwalk" from the Kendall's Point Park along Wadsworth Street to the Charles River.

(Point Park is the triangular space between Broadway, Main Street, Wadsworth Street, and Third Street. It is dominated by Joe Davis' 1989 sculpture: "Galaxy: Earth Sphere," a fountain of water in the summer and steam in the winter.)

Steven C. Marsh of the MIT Investment Management Company presented MIT's second attempt at a vision for future east-campus development at the Cambridge Planning Board meeting on Tuesday evening.

It was not a zoning proposal and contained no concrete language about zoning changes, housing units, floor-area ratios, etc.; this information will come later, when MIT presents its actual petition, probably on June 18.

Marsh and MITIMCo first presented these development ideas to the planning board over a year ago, with a detailed zoning proposal that was not well-received. The city subsequently started its Kendall-to-Central planning initiative, and MIT allowed its petition to lapse while the city's process went forward.

There were other items on the planning board agenda of interest to the MIT community as well.

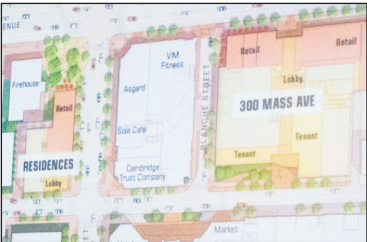
Changes to Random's block

The area of Massachusetts Avenue from Landsdowne St. to Blanche St., containing the MIT dormitory Random Hall, is owned by a combination

of MIT and Forest City Enterprises, the developers of University Park.

Forest City announced plans in December of 2010 to build a five-story life sciences building at 300 Mass. Ave., in the portion of the block

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FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES

The north portion of Random Hall's block is slated to become 300 Mass. Ave; a residential building is planned for two blocks north, on Sidney St.

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Brazil increasing military presence along Amazon borders

By Simon Romero
THE NEW YORK TIMES

RIO DE JANEIRO — Brazil is deploying more than 8,500 troops to the far reaches of the Amazon rain forest this month in an operation aimed at cracking down on drug smuggling, gold mining, and illegal deforestation, officials said.

The troop mobilization sends a clear message ahead of the U.N. Conference on Sustainable Development, which is scheduled to take place here in June, that Brazil is taking steps to assert greater control over its porous frontiers in the Amazon. Soldiers are being sent to border areas near Venezuela, Suriname, French Guiana, and Guyana.

“The Amazon is Brazil’s No. 1 priority from a strategic viewpoint, given its importance to humanity as a source of water, biodiversity and food production,” said Gen. Eduardo Dias da Costa Villas Boas, chief of the Amazon Military Command, in a telephone interview.

The operation, expected to last several weeks, showed its first results Thursday when officials an-

nounced the detection of 10 clandestine airstrips in the state of Roraima. The airstrips were being used for illegal mining operations on indigenous territory, Villas Boas said.

Defense Minister Celso Amorim, speaking before the Brazilian Senate in March, said the country was planning to increase its military presence in the Amazon over the next several years. “It’s the most vulnerable part of our country,” Amorim said. “We have a wealth of resources, which can make us the target of adventures.”

Sovereignty over the Amazon, about 60 percent of which is in Brazil, is a sensitive issue among Brazilians, with some military thinkers expounding on perceived threats to the region. The Amazon is also changing fast as it urbanizes; in Brazil, more than 20 million people live in the Amazon. Manaus, in the state of Amazonas, was Brazil’s fastest-growing city over the past decade.

In addition to scourges like illegal timber extraction and deforestation for producing pig iron, drug smuggling from neighboring coun-

tries has emerged as a big concern. In Amazonian cities like Belem do Para, usage of a cheap variety of crack cocaine has surged, alarming public health officials.

At the same time that lawmakers have carried out a contentious debate over legislation creating new rules for land use in the Amazon for agriculture and ranching, Brazilian military officials have reached out to neighboring countries in an effort to strengthen ties and share information.

For instance, Brazil forged a military agreement this year with Colombia enhancing cooperation along their border in the Amazon. Ahead of this month’s operation, Brazilian officials said they went to Venezuela, Guyana and Suriname, explaining to authorities in those countries that the deployment was intended to reinforce the government’s presence in some of Brazil’s most remote areas.

While Brazil emphasizes that relations are peaceful with all its neighbors, the military still deals with occasional flare-ups of instability in the Amazon.

Leaving presidency, Russia’s Medvedev fights for relevance

By Ellen Barry
THE NEW YORK TIMES

MOSCOW — President Dmitry A. Medvedev spent last Friday trying to persuade the grandees of United Russia that he is a conservative who can lead the party to victory. But many looked at him and saw Prime Minister Vladimir V. Putin’s liberal sidekick, who emboldened the opposition and supported the West in Libya.

Medvedev did not fare any better on Saturday, when he met with the prominent liberals who have served as his human rights advisers. They made no effort to hide their disappointment in his presidency, saying an opportunity to change Russia had been allowed to slip away.

Medvedev, who will step down from the presidency next week, has said he hopes to play a role in Russian politics for a long time; still just 46, he hints that he may run for president again in 2018, when

Putin’s third term ends. Right now, though, he is fighting for political relevance, after spending an entire presidential term in Putin’s shadow.

The announcement in September that Putin would return as president dealt a heavy blow to the younger man’s profile, suggesting that he meekly surrendered a position he wanted. He smelled of weakness — a dangerous thing in a system that venerates strength. The problem is an immediate one now, as he prepares to take the post of prime minister and the chairmanship of United Russia.

“Putin paid a bit of a price for humiliating him in that way,” said Stephen Sestanovich, a Russia scholar at the Council on Foreign Relations. “He is really deeply, deeply damaged goods as a result of this very, very badly bungled switch. If he is supposed to be effective, he needs a makeover. He needs a reinvigoration. He needs a demonstration that he is not a joke.”

He got a taste of the challenges

ahead as soon as the job-swap was announced. The first to react was Finance Minister Alexei L. Kudrin, a Kremlin heavyweight and a Putin loyalist, who said he would leave government rather than report to Medvedev as prime minister. Medvedev responded with the kind of public dressing-down that sends a message of raw dominance, demanding that Kudrin resign on the spot and daring other dissenters to follow him.

The president’s prestige was dwindling anyway. News outlets that for years had featured Medvedev more prominently than Putin stopped covering his activities intensively. During the first three months of this year his name was mentioned one-third as often as Putin’s, according to Medialogia, a Moscow consulting firm. Medvedev’s approval rating fell to 27 points below Putin’s last month, after staying within 10 points for most of his presidency, according to the All-Russian Public Opinion Center.

Study finds concerns regarding readiness for cyberattacks

By Michael S. Schmidt
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — A study commissioned by President Barack Obama to assess the nation’s ability to respond to terrorist attacks and man-made and natural disasters has found that state and local officials have the most confidence in their public health and medical services but are the most concerned about whether agencies can respond to cyberattacks.

The report, conducted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said that state and local officials also felt unprepared to provide adequate housing in their communities after a disaster.

Called the National Preparedness Report, the assessment is the first of its kind released by the federal agency and was intended to serve as a baseline for preparedness.

In March 2011, Obama signed a directive ordering the federal gov-

ernment to release an annual report on the nation’s response capacities, which have received intense scrutiny since the Sept. 11 attacks and Hurricane Katrina.

The report said that the nation had a highly responsive health care system, in part because a significant majority of hospitals have the staff, training and capacity to deal with epidemics and other medical emergencies. All but three states said they had “sufficient staffing capacity to work five 12-hour days for six to eight weeks” in response to an epidemic.

It also praised the coordination among federal, state and local officials for sharing information and intelligence, and the ability of the authorities to deploy lifesaving and life-sustaining operations quickly.

But it was the report’s findings about cybersecurity that appeared to be the most troubling, and they continued a drumbeat from the Obama administration about the need for Congress to pass legislation

giving the Department of Homeland Security the authority to regulate computer security for the country’s infrastructure.

The report said that cybersecurity “was the single core capability where states had made the least amount of overall progress” and that only 42 percent of state and local officials believed that their cybersecurity was adequate.

Although a little more than 80 percent of officials said they had adopted cybersecurity measures, 45 percent said they did not have a formal program to prevent and respond to attacks.

The report said that roughly two-thirds of those officials reported that they had not updated their “information security or disaster recovery plans in at least two years.”

The report did cite the Secret Service, which has been battered recently by a prostitution scandal, for “dismantling some of the largest known cybercriminal organizations.”

European Central Bank opposes higher taxes

BARCELONA, Spain — Ahead of crucial elections this weekend in France and Greece, Mario Draghi, the president of the European Central Bank, warned governments Thursday against the “easier road” of raising taxes to fill public coffers, saying it would not solve Europe’s economic problems.

He spoke from the current ground zero of the European debt crisis, Spain, where the central bank’s governing council happened to be holding one of two meetings each year it schedules outside the bank’s headquarters in Frankfurt.

The central bank officials met under heavy police protection intended to shield them from any possible street protests over European austerity measures. No big demonstrations materialized. But the bunker atmosphere might have in some ways symbolized the distance between the central bank’s policymaking and the anxious mood of much of the European public.

“Is having helicopters and snipers on the roofs the way the ECB wanted to show its face and meet the Spanish people?” asked Edward Hugh, an economist in Barcelona.

The central bank left its benchmark interest rate unchanged, at 1 percent, choosing not to react immediately to signs that the eurozone economy was continuing to deteriorate. Analysts had expected no action on rates.

—Raphael Minder and Jack Ewing, *The New York Times*

Methodists keep stricture on homosexuality

The United Methodist Church at its convention in Tampa, Fla., on Thursday voted against changing long-contested language in its book of laws and doctrines that calls homosexuality “incompatible with Christian teaching.”

The vote was 61–39 percent against the change to the church’s Book of Discipline. The delegates also defeated by a similar margin a compromise proposed by gay rights advocates, which said that Methodists could acknowledge their differences on homosexuality while still living together as a church.

In other historic mainline Protestant denominations in the United States, liberals have prevailed so far in the battles over homosexuality. The Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church (USA), and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America have all voted in recent years to end their outright prohibitions on openly gay clergy members. But in the United Methodist Church, theological conservatives have held sway in the 40 years that the church has been debating the issue.

The votes set off a protest inside the convention. Gay rights supporters gathered around a communion table at the center of the hall, singing.

—Laurie Goodstein, *The New York Times*

In letters, bin Laden fretted over legacy and relevance

WASHINGTON — Sitting in his secret refuge, hiding from the world, Osama bin Laden spent the last months of his life rethinking strategy, worrying about his legacy and struggling to maintain control over the sprawling terrorist network that operated in his name.

He had grown disgruntled with far-flung offshoots theoretically under his umbrella and fretted that too many of the “brothers” were alienating Muslims with attacks on fellow believers. He agitated for spectacular missions, including the assassination of President Barack Obama. And he considered a marketing campaign to change the infamous network’s name.

The portrait of bin Laden’s life in the compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan, emerges from a sheaf of letters released Thursday that provide a sort of anthropology of a terror network. The frustrations expressed by bin Laden as he issued instructions sometimes in vain might be familiar to any chief executive trying to keep tabs on a multinational corporation that had grown beyond its modest origins.

And he fretted about how he would be remembered by history. “He who does not make known his own history,” he wrote to one of his lieutenants, runs the risk that “some in the media and among historians will construct a history for him, using whatever information they have, regardless of whether their information is accurate or not.”

—Peter Baker, *The New York Times*

Deadly crackdown reported on Syrian university

BEIRUT — A violent clampdown by Syrian security forces against a student demonstration at Aleppo University ended with at least four students killed, including one heaved out a fifth-floor window, and scores arrested, activists and opposition organizations said Thursday.

The university announced on its website that it was suspending classes until final exams on May 13, and it closed its sprawling dormitory complex, with troops pushing thousands of students to leave. Students camped out overnight on rooftops and campus lawns, while the roads outside the university were crowded with departing students and piles of luggage, as shown in videos and pictures posted online.

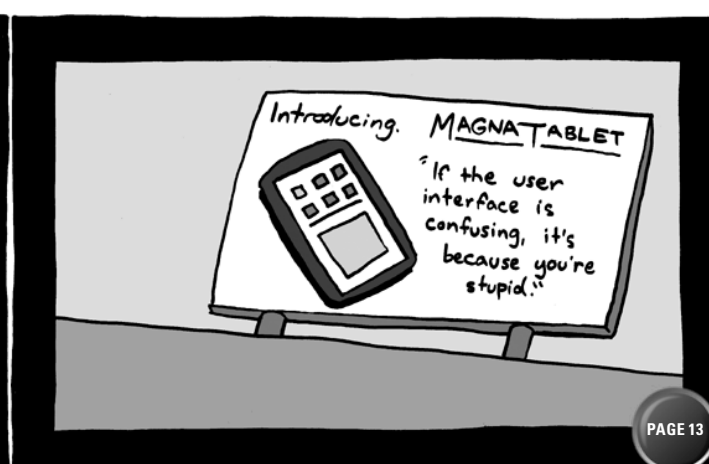
The suppression prompted sympathy rallies at universities around Syria and a large march through a nearby Aleppo neighborhood with protesters chanting “We don’t want Bashar!” — a reference to President Bashar Assad.

Small protests also continued to flare on the Aleppo campus, with one shaky amateur video showing a group of female students shouting, “The Syrian army are traitors!” while soldiers growled, “Back off!”

The opposition umbrella organization, the Syrian National Council, called for a nationwide strike by students in solidarity with Aleppo University, one of the country’s largest public universities with 60,000 students. The bloody repression of the student protest further eroded a truce negotiated under U.N. auspices, since one pillar of the plan is the right to hold peaceful demonstrations.

—Neil MacFarquhar, *The New York Times*

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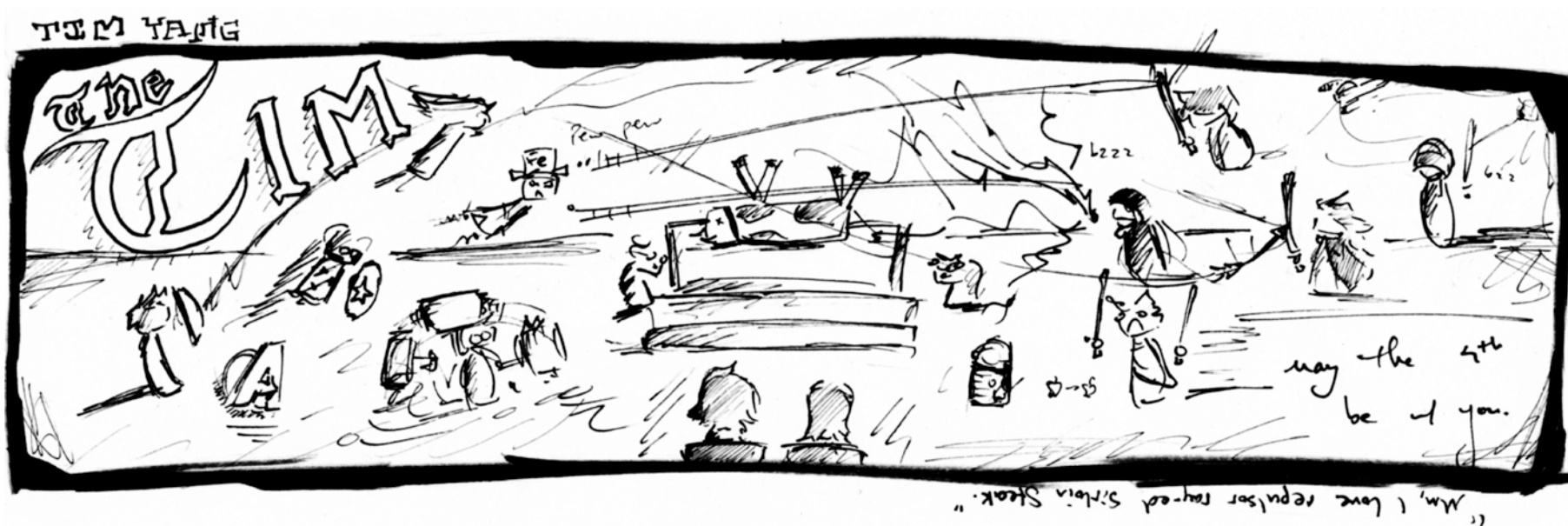
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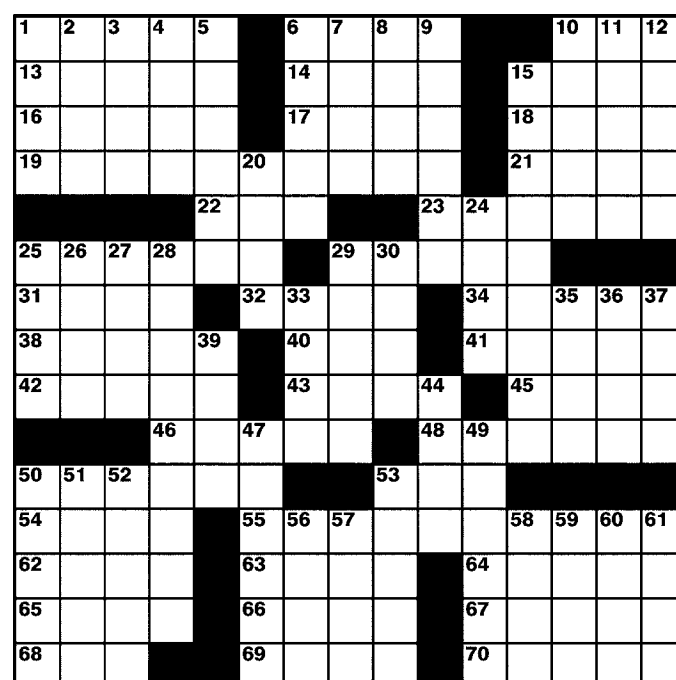
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Prints come alive

Works by Alex Katz explore the essence of portraiture, on view at the MFA

You feel like you've gone back in time — you're having a conversation with one of these figures and you're becoming more and more cultured by the second.


a different expression, and some are of different proportions, but somehow they all seem real. Each portrait is of an important cultural figure from the 1960s or 1970s, including people from dance, literature, music, art, and art criticism. It's a little overwhelming. You feel like you've gone back in time — you're having a conversa-



Even though his prints are so distilled, so “simple,” his portraits have a soul and a profound beauty. They’re obviously two-dimensional — but they’re also alive. Katz

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is primarily a colorist, and the vividness of his prints makes it even more important that they're viewed in person. You won't get the same effect from Google images, no matter how good your screen's resolution is.




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Once remote, Goldman Sachs puts on a friendly public face

By Michael J. De La Merced
THE NEW YORK TIMES

After a steady stream of criticism since the financial crisis, Goldman Sachs is trying to burnish its image. Last week, the company’s chief executive, Lloyd C. Blankfein, gave rare back-to-back televised interviews to CNBC and Bloomberg Television, in which he emphasized the company’s focus on clients. On Wednesday, he spoke at a lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender conference called “Out on the Street,” explaining the company’s support for gay rights. In recent weeks, Goldman executives have been more talkative with reporters. By stepping into the spotlight even a little, Goldman appears to be embarking on a subtle campaign to repair its reputation. The bank’s message is simple: Goldman cares about its clients and its community.

It is unclear whether such moves will change public perception, in large part because Goldman does not have a new story to tell. The financial company made another public relations push a couple of years ago, with little success. In 2010, Goldman — still

In the aftermath of the financial crisis, Goldman hunkered down, as the company became a symbol of Wall Street excess.

reeling from congressional hearings, a government lawsuit and a less-than-flattering portrayal as a “vampire squid” in a Rolling Stone article — rolled out a series of national advertisements aimed at improving its public standing.

But with its latest effort, Goldman is taking a different tack by reaching out even though there is no blowup.

“Any time that you’re engaging proactively is a good thing,” said Michael W. Robinson, an executive vice president at Levick Strategic Communications, a public relations firm. “The press around Goldman is never going to go down to zero, but the goal is to be less interesting and less attractive as a target.”

Goldman has long been wary of courting the public. Goldman was a private partnership until 1999. Its first public relations executive worked from his apartment in Manhattan, laboring under the principle that most press was bad press, according to a book about Goldman Sachs, “Money and Power,” by William D. Cohan.

In the aftermath of the financial crisis, Goldman hunkered down, as the company became a symbol of Wall Street excess. While other banking chiefs vocally defended their companies, Blankfein largely remained quiet. The company even pulled back on granting interviews for noncontentious events like quarterly earnings.

The company’s top public relations official at the time, Lucas van Praag, was alternately admired and scorned for couching withering dismissals of critics in elegant phrases. Among van Praag’s greatest hits were his dismissals of news articles as “effluent,” “frankly, pretty stupid” and “chimera produced by a febrile mind.”

Now Goldman is taking its com-

munication cues from a new executive. In March, the company hired Richard Siewert Jr., a former Clinton press secretary who was a senior adviser to Treasury Secretary Timothy F. Geithner until last year, to head public relations.

Siewert, known as Jake, immediately faced a trial by fire.

Just before Siewert joined Goldman, the company was rebuked by a Delaware state judge for its conduct in the sale of a client, the El Paso Corp. The judge, Chancellor Leo E. Strine Jr., criticized the investment bank for playing both sides of the deal, given that it owned a stake in El Paso’s acquirer, Kinder Morgan.

Siewert’s first official day on the job coincided with the publication of an article on the Op-Ed page of The New York Times by Greg Smith, a former Goldman executive who denounced a “toxic and destructive” environment in which some colleagues belittled clients as “muppets.” The piece helped rekindle the continuing debate about Goldman’s practices, while stirring up strong defenses of the company within its ranks of executives and alumni.

Since then, Goldman seems to have begun a low-key charm offensive. In late April, Blankfein, appearing relaxed without a suit jacket, sat down with CNBC and Bloomberg at a company conference on emerging markets. Buoyant and smiling, he reiterated the company’s client-centric philosophy, while acknowledging that the company had some work to do.

“Obviously, it has occurred to us that we haven’t gotten everything right,” he told CNBC.

Blankfein’s higher profile has extended beyond television interviews. In February, he became the Human Rights Campaign’s first national corporate spokesman for same-sex marriage, saying publicly what he had advocated more privately for years. On Wednesday, he elaborated on his views, telling a crowd in New York that Goldman’s support of gay marriage had cost it at least one prominent client.

“They didn’t want to continue a relationship that they had with us in money management,” he told the “Out on the Street” audience, according to news reports. He declined to name the company, but added, “If you heard the name, it wouldn’t surprise you.”

Even client-focused events, independent of public relations efforts, may engender good will. Goldman is planning a new conference, the “Builders and Innovators Summit,” a salon of sorts where established entrepreneurs can meet and mentor up-and-comers.

The conference, scheduled for late October in Newport Beach, Calif., arose from two years of discussions with senior management about how to better engage entrepreneurs. In many ways, it harks back to Goldman’s roots in helping nascent companies, including working years ago with Sears, Roebuck and Ford Motor Co. on their public stock offerings.

“The more of this that they do, the more that they reduce anxiety about the firm,” Robinson said.

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Solution to Techdoku

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MITx to stay; other universities will add own versions

edX to remain free, in contrast to similar for-profit online programs at west coast schools

same time increase educational opportunities for learners and teachers across the planet," said MIT President Susan J. Hockfield at a press conference on Wednesday.

MITx will become a part of edX, but MIT courses will still retain the MITx branding. Similarly, Harvard courses will be part of “Harvardx.” EdX is being billed as an open platform that other universities can join to offer their own courses. Students who complete courses via edX can earn certificates of completion for a “modest” fee, according to edX officials. Those who don’t want to pay can access course material for free, but will not earn a certificate.

Hockfield and Harvard President Drew G. Faust were accompanied at Wednesday's event by key backers of MITx, and now edX. Anant Agarwal, who announced in March he would step down from his role as CSAIL head to run MITx full-time, will become edX's first president. Provost L. Rafael Reif, who has been at the forefront of MITx, was present with his Harvard counterpart, Alan M. Garber.

The announcement was met with fanfare by the administrations of both schools and by many in the national press. But the creation of edX underscores big and as-yet unanswered questions about the nature of online education, many of which have been raised by students and faculty here since the December MITx announcement.

How, for example, will the edX platform be used to enhance on-campus learning at Harvard and MIT? How will “soft” questions, like free-responses and essays, be graded automatically and online? And

how will university officials know whether edX is actually working to enhance a residential education? Is this the future of higher education?

EdX backers acknowledge that these are important questions, but say that at these early stages many are hard to answer.

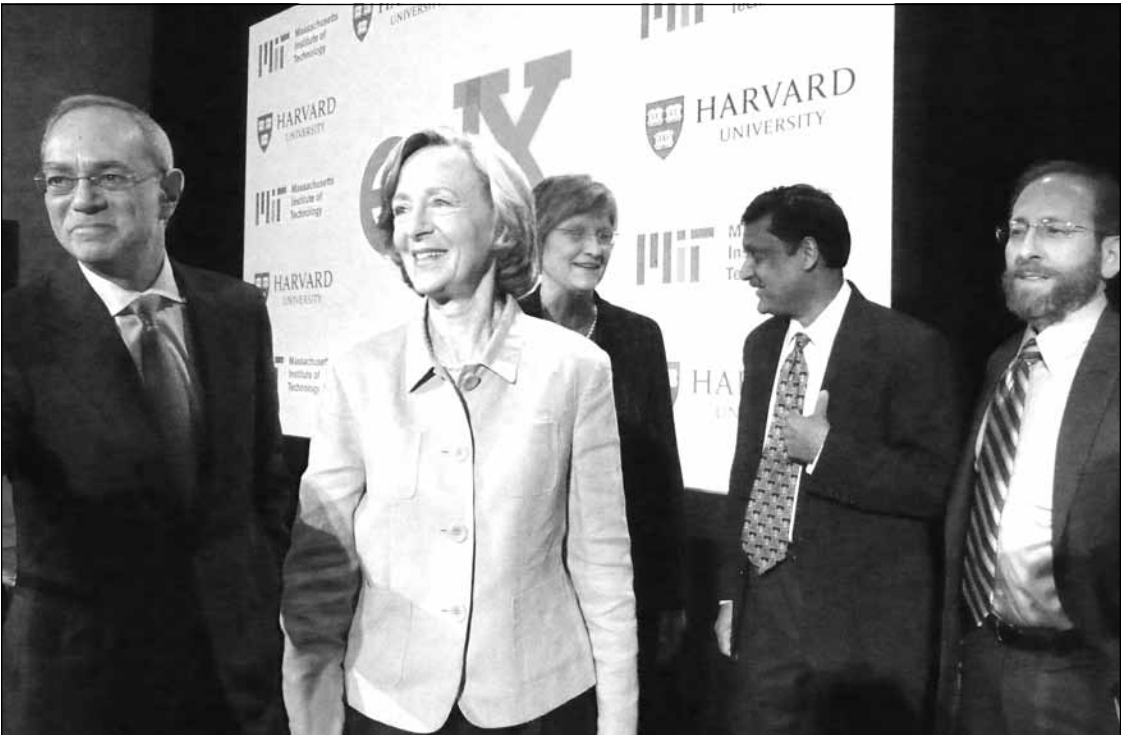
In a conference call with the press, Agarwal said that edX is both an educational and research initiative. Experimenting with how students interact with online learning technology, he says, will help both institutions make their online and residential learning experiences better.

He suggested, for example, that edX may try “crowdsourcing or machine-learning technology” to grade free-responses and essays online.

The issue of how, exactly, online learning will complement a residential education at MIT has already received significant attention from faculty members here. The January/February faculty newsletter was devoted in large part to MITx, with some faculty saying more attention should be paid to the model for an on-campus education in the age of MITx.

“There has certainly been focus on what technology-enhanced delivery of courses might look like, but not so much on the long-term impact on our residential students. But the long-range projection that distance learning may ultimately jeopardize the viability of our current residential education experience has received insufficient attention,” wrote Chair of the Faculty Samuel M. Allen PhD ’75.

Agarwal says that a pilot group of MIT students taking 6.002x — the MITx pilot course — has already



JOANNA KAO—THE TECH

Susan J. Hockfield smiles for the camera after the press conference introducing edX, MIT and Harvard's new online learning collaboration.

shed light on how the on-campus educational experience will change in the coming years. Students could do short video tutorials on their own time to learn the textbook-type knowledge that is traditionally conveyed in big lecture halls, he said. Then, they would come to class for one-on-one work with professors and TAs in a laboratory setting.

"I'd like to work with smaller groups of students," said Allen in a January interview about MITx. "My favorite kind of interactions are office-hour type interactions, where a group is sitting around a table discussing course material in a highly

interactive way.”

How Harvard and MIT will assess the success of edX at improving residential education is also not clear, but Garber says faculty at both schools will be actively engaged in answering that question.

"We have assembled groups of faculty to measure how well we're doing," he said, adding that the process would take years.

The space of Internet-based online education is populating quickly. Piggybacking on its success offering online computer science courses last year, Stanford University has joined with Princeton University,

University of Michigan, and University of Pennsylvania to offer online courses through Coursera, a company founded by two Stanford professors. Udacity, also founded by a Stanford professor, has a similar mission.

EdX distinguishes itself from these West-coast efforts by tying itself to the educational missions of both institutions and by stressing its not-for-profit model. (Reif has said in the past that MITx is expected to be profitable, but that “the driver is not money.”)

EdX expects to offer its first slate of courses this fall.

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Housing in Kendall a key element

Proposals from Forest City and MIT coordinate with Cambridge

Kendall, from Page 1

north of Random, 298–334 Mass. Ave. They were back at the planning board with a revised proposal on Tuesday.

Responding to repeated concerns from Cambridge residents about the lack of housing, Forest City proposes building a residential tower on Sidney Street behind the firehouse, between Mass. Ave and Green Street. A small square of park at the Mass Ave/Sidney intersection would remain open, complementing the open space of Lafayette Square across the street.

Forest City’s zoning petition was originally filed in February 2011, and was allowed to expire in July 2011. The planning board and the city council have until August to act on the petition. At the meeting, staff of Cambridge’s Community Development Department spoke positively about Forest City’s proposal. City Councilor E. Denise Simmons was present, but offered no comment.

Peter Calkins, executive vice president at Forest City, did not respond to requests for the slides presented to the planning board.

Both Forest City’s 300 Mass. Ave. project and MIT’s Kendall re-envisioning are using David P. Manfredi of Elkus Manfredi architects. Manfredi is also the architect for 610 Main Street, the new building MIT is leasing to Pfizer that is midway between Kendall Square and 300 Mass Ave.

K2C2 update

David Dixon, the city’s consultant running the Kendall-to-Central study, provided an update to the planning board after the Forest City petition. Dixon’s presentation was quite similar to other recent presentations he has made about the K2C2 status, including at a public meeting in April, as well as presentation to the Cambridge City Council. He describes buildings in Kendall reach-

ing as high as 300 feet — currently, buildings in Kendall are substantially shorter — and a requirement that residential construction to complete before the entirety of commercial development can be finished.

MIT’s new vision for Kendall

Entitled “Reimagining Kendall Square,” Marsh’s presentation highlighted four separate areas of Kendall Square that MIT looks to change: Broad Canal Way, the area behind One Broadway; Point Park Riverwalk, a reimagining of Wadsworth Street; an Infinite Corridor extension, from E25 to E53 across what are currently parking lots; and the Main Street District.

Marsh is the managing director of real estate for MITIMCo. As of 2009, the most recent year for which data are available, he is MIT’s fifth-highest-paid employee and makes \$730,000/year.

Marsh’s four areas represent geographically distinct portions of Kendall Square. On Main Street, MIT only owns the south side; the north side of Main is owned by Boston Properties. Marsh said MIT intended to retain the historical character of the south side of Main, so it would not change appreciably, though he hinted some

buildings might shift and see extensive restoration.

While Marsh offered no specifics on housing, he indicated that the lot adjacent to One Broadway was now intended for a future residential tower, and not a research or lab building as previously envisioned in last year’s proposal. Planning board members, especially Steve Winter, were “very pleased to see that.” Marsh added that there might be some office space inside that residential building, to help accommodate innovation clusters.

The board seemed most impressed by the riverwalk proposal, linking Point Park to the river via Wadsworth Street. Marsh pointed out that Wadsworth was the only intersection on Memorial Drive with a traffic signal.

MIT’s detailed proposal should be released on the next month, and MIT is tentatively scheduled to present it to the planning board on June 19. Meanwhile, the City Council continues to grapple with the K2C2 consultant’s work. After a two-hour presentation last week when they only made it halfway through the materials, the council intends to schedule a half-day retreat later this month to go over the proposals.



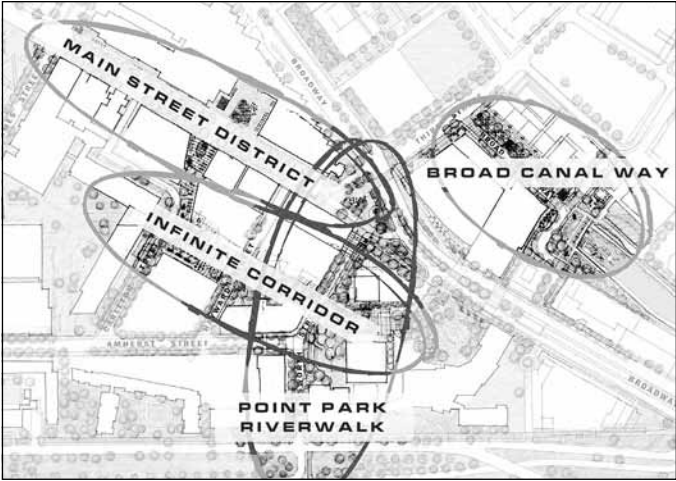
“MASS AVE MIXED USE,” FOREST CITY ZONING PETITION.

Forest City has petitioned the city for zoning changes to permit building a new life sciences research building. The proposed building would have ground-floor retail frontage on Massachusetts Avenue, and a lobby passageway through from Mass. Ave. to Green Street. Additionally, Forest City proposes to build a residential development north of Sidney Street replacing much of the park that adjoins the firehouse.



SOURCE: “REIMAGINING KENDALL SQUARE,” P.22; THE MIT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Point Park in Kendall Square is at the south end of Main Street, where it meets Broadway, Wadsworth, Third Street. MITIMCo envisions that Wadsworth street, off the left edge of this photo, would be broadened into a wide riverwalk leading to the Charles. The globe fountain is Joe Davis’s 1989 sculpture: “Galaxy: Earth Sphere.”



“REIMAGINING KENDALL SQUARE,” P.5; THE MIT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY

MIT’s zoning proposal will address four areas of Kendall Square that MIT controls. The south side of Main Street; an extended outdoor “infinite corridor” from E25 to E53; a riverwalk from Point Park down Wadsworth Street to the Charles River; and the region between One Broadway and Broad Canal, where MIT intends to build a new building.

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Search might conclude in June

President will oversee capital campaign, edX, MIT-Russia

Presidential search, from Page 1
president,” said Champy.

Why so fast?

The current search is expected to run its course in almost half of the time as the previous one. Hockfield was selected in 2004 after an eight-month process, but if completed by June, the current search will have taken less than four.

“Unlike 2004, I think MIT is in a very different position,” said Champy, referencing ongoing initiatives like edX, the MIT-Russia partnership, and preparations for a new capital fundraising campaign. “Those three alone suggest we don’t want to spend an unduly long time to find the next president,” he said. “There’s just too much to do.”

Reed added that the committee can feasibly complete the search in less time because it is meeting more often than it has before. The committee holds meetings at least once per week, he says, with some additional Saturday meetings scheduled. Work gets completed by committee members in-between meetings as well.

“We’re in the process of trying to get a [capital] campaign going,” Reed said. “We could do some work without a president, but at some point we have to define what [the campaign] is.”

In such capital campaigns, MIT raises money to support big institutional objectives including (but not limited to) new construction and renovation, scholarships and fellowships, research, and student life. University presidents play a major role fundraising for their institutions.

Champy says that MIT is “undercapitalized” as an institution — that is, it needs more money than it

currently has to support its operations long-term. Fixing that situation means raising money for MIT’s \$10 billion endowment, he says.

What does MIT want in a president?

Since March, the search committee has collected input from students, faculty, and trustees about what they want to see in the next president. The student advisory group to the search committee released a report last month outlining their findings — chief among them were a desire to see someone who would address issues like campus planning, education (especially in relation to MITx), and “student wellness and balance.”

And in the most recently faculty newsletter, faculty members put forth their own expectations for a president and even suggested 10 people who they thought could do the job. Reed said that the faculty’s suggestions almost or completely overlapped with the names already under consideration by the search committee.

In the newsletter, some faculty asked whether a new president would continue Hockfield-era policies or forge their own path.

“Ultimately, you want someone who’s going to be his or her own person. But at the same time, institutionally, we’ve made some decisions. So we’re more likely to find someone who is sympathetic to the things we’ve started,” said Champy.

But he and Reed stressed that while the new president will likely have a strong interest in continuing many of Hockfield’s big projects, “we certainly have not said that continuity is vitally important,” according to Reed.

“You have to be careful not

to have the new president be defined by the past president,” added Champy.

Many initiatives, like edX and MIT 2030, are in early stages and can adapt to the priorities and preferences of a new president, Reed said.

Champy also said that the committee wants a president who is “thoughtful” and listens to the people who make up MIT — namely, faculty and students. “We don’t want a president who thinks that they know what MIT needs,” he said.

Students and faculty have expressed to the committee a need for a president who understands and cultivates an MIT “community” — that is, a spirit of cohesiveness and collaboration that crosses departmental boundaries.

“Students have said, ‘we learn here, we do research here, and this is our home.’ Our president must recognize that this is their home,” said Champy. “This place works together in ways other institutions do not, and that is a critical characteristic.”

What’s left for the committee to do? Though they have begun talking to candidates, says Reed, more work remains to be done in terms of examining a person’s background and track record. The search committee must also make time to meet with the Corporation’s executive committee before anything will become official.

Though the Corporation’s June 7 meeting comes the day before Commencement, Reed says the Corporation will not let a presidential announcement overshadow the day’s activities; the official word would come some time before or after Friday’s Commencement, assuming the search process concludes in the expected timeframe.

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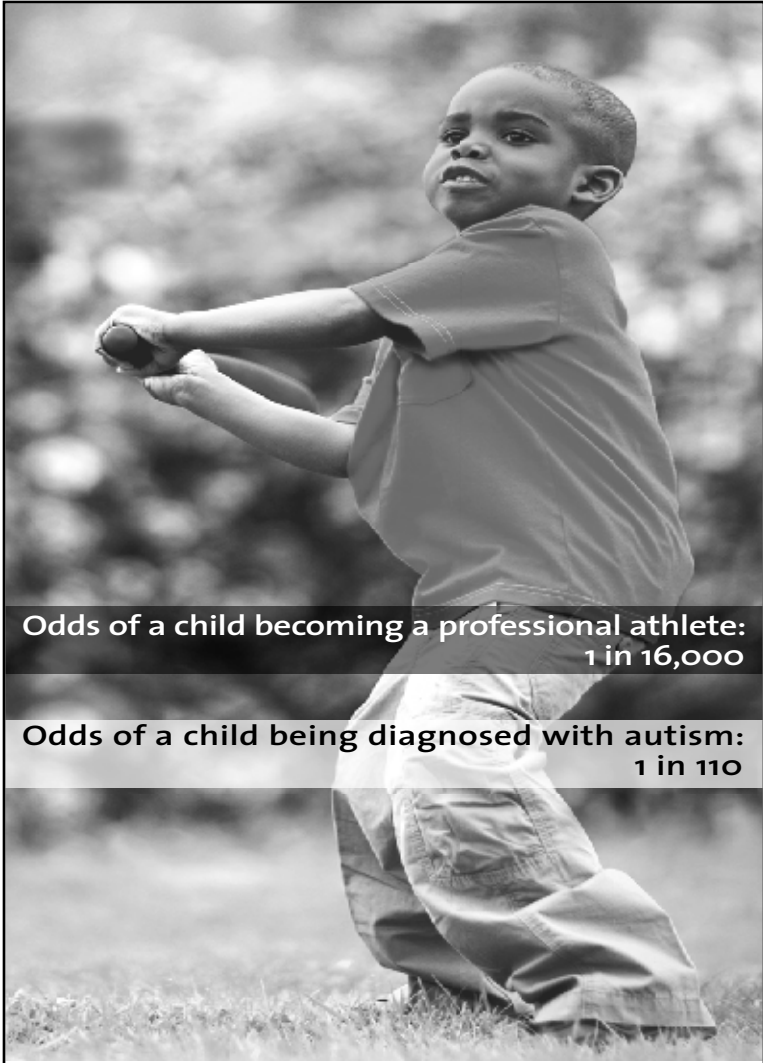
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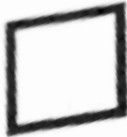
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MIT professors and alumni elected to National Academy of Sciences

Four MIT professors and six MIT alumni were elected to the National Academy of Sciences this past Tuesday, May 1. This election brings the total number of MIT faculty members who are part of the Academy to 78, and the number of MIT affiliates — emeritus and former faculty, current and former staff, and alumni — to 199, according to a press release from the MIT News Office. Membership honors those who have made significant contributions in original research. In total, 84 new members and 21 foreign associates were elected this year.

The National Academy of Sciences, signed into existence by President Abraham Lincoln in 1863, is a non-profit, roughly 2600 member, private institution tasked with advising the government on issues relating to science, engineering and medicine and technology.

—Deborah Chen

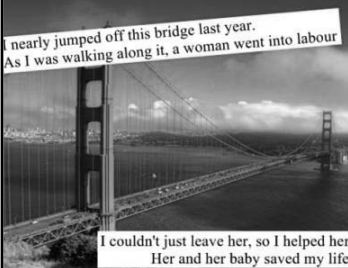
MIT professors

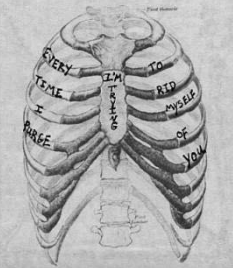
- Barbara H. Liskov**, Institute professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
- Subra Suresh ScD '81**, current National Science Foundation director and former dean of MIT's School of Engineering
- Robert Townsend**, professor of economics
- Richard A. Young**, professor of biology and member of the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research

MIT alumni


- John B. Bell '75**, senior staff scientist and group leader, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Jagdish N. Bhagwati PhD '67**, professor of economics and professor of political science, Columbia University
- Pablo G. Debenedetti '81, PhD '85**, professor of chemical and biological engineering, Princeton University
- John T. Groves III '65**, professor of chemistry, Princeton University
- Marcia J. Rieki '72, PhD '76**, professor of astronomy, University of Arizona
- William R. Young PhD '81**, professor of physical oceanography, University of California at San Diego

nearly jumped off this bridge last year.
As I was walking along it, a woman went into labour
I couldn't just leave her, so I helped her
Her and her baby saved my life







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Because I thought he cheated
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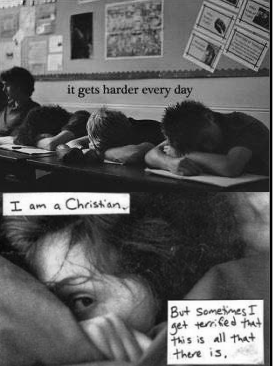
My Dreams seem so far away




The Face that I can't talk about my depression
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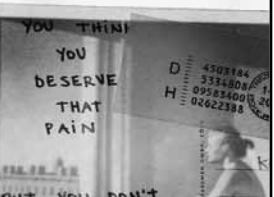
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I just need something, anything, to fill this emptiness inside me.




Everytime I see people
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I wish I could feel that way again.




YOU THINK YOU DESERVE THAT PAIN BUT YOU DON'T.



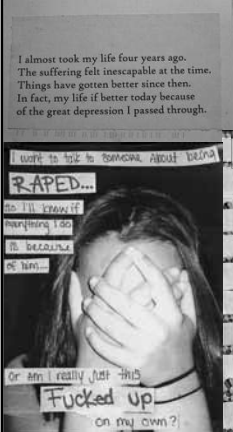
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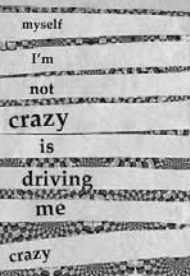
Shit. I was almost happy again.




I don't smile anymore




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I'm not crazy
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It wasn't until I was loving no one, that I fell in love WITH MYSELF




all I want for my birthday is for you to remember is and call me



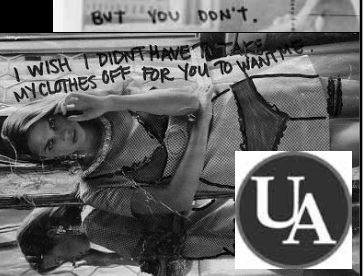
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For Chinese, a man in the news is much discussed

By Michael Wines
and Sharon Lafraniere
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BEIJING — Those outside of China know him as Chen Guangcheng, the self-trained lawyer whose crusade for individual rights has led him to confinement, escape, and now an international diplomatic incident. Ordinary people inside China refer to him online in a different, coded way.

First he was “blind lawyer;” then “blind man,” then “A Bing,” a reference to a nationally famous blind singer. All were blotted out by the Chinese government’s pervasive, highly computerized security apparatus.

Lately, his plight has been referred to as “UA898” — the daily United Airlines flight from Beijing to Washington that this week has come to symbolize Chen’s demand to emigrate to the United States rather than face an uncertain future in his homeland.

Chen’s demands to be treated like any other Chinese citizen have galvanized much of the world and incited a global debate over China’s human rights policies not seen since another Chinese dissident, Liu Xiaobo, was awarded a Nobel Peace Prize.

But in the airless space for discussion that is contemporary China, neither Chen nor Liu is a suitable topic for debate. They are nonentities, or, if they are referred to at all, they are vague threats to the harmonious society that President Hu Jintao promised when he assumed power at the start of the last decade.

“The West and its supporters in China always need a tool to work against China’s current political system,” the nationalistic state-run newspaper *Global Times* wrote this week in one of the first offi-

cial mentions of the Chen dispute. “Those who want to plot against China by making use of Chen Guangcheng may be just deluding themselves.”

The official position was stated most doggedly, perhaps, on Thursday, when the Foreign Ministry spokesman, Liu Weimin, was

asked to explain why Chen had long been a prisoner in his own home, an incarceration long described in written and video reports, accepted worldwide, as brutal and unending.

“After Chen Guangcheng was released from prison, he is a free person as far as I know. He has

been living in his own house,” Liu stated. Challenged on that, he responded, “That’s what you said. As far as I know, he’s living in his hometown.”

He also deflected a spate of other questions about Chen and Liu Xiaobo’s wife, Liu Xia, mostly saying that China’s legal system

ensures proper treatment of all citizens.

The facts of Chen’s detention are, of course, undisputed. But in a year of change, when China’s entire leadership is poised for decennial turnover at a Communist Party congress this autumn, there is scant incentive to rock the boat.

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Kates dominates the court as MIT point guard

By Nidharshan Anandasivam
SPORTS STAFF

**Kates became
NEWMAC Rookie of
the Year as a freshman
and was a 4th team All-
American this year.**

Mitchell likes to spend time at his fraternity (Lambda Chi Alpha) and take bike rides along the Charles.

The Tech sat down with Mitchell to discuss life as a student-athlete on the MIT Varsity Basketball Team.

The Tech: What do you like most about the MIT Basketball team?

Mitchell Kates: I love the camaraderie. I spend so much time with these guys both on and off the court. Everyone on the team is great friends with one another and that helps us get through the grind of such a long basketball season. We also have a great coaching staff and very entertaining assistant coaches. Towards the end of the year we had a number of long bus trips. "Words with Friends" became pretty popular.

TT: Describe the challenges/difficulties of the point guard position that you play.

MK: I think being the point guard is the easiest position. Our forwards (big guys), like Noel Hollingsworth '12 and Will Tashman '13, have to bang inside on every play, and all I have to do is dribble and shoot. I think there is naturally a leadership role that is assumed by the point guard, and this has been something I have been developing continuously over the past three years.

TT: What initially got you into basketball?

MK: I have been playing basketball since I was nine years old; it has been my favorite sport since I was a little kid. There is nothing better than March Madness. I started high school as a 5'0" freshman and grew a foot by the time I graduated.

Being small presented a lot of challenges physically but it helped me develop skills that I otherwise might have neglected.

I took a postgraduate year at Exeter before I came to MIT, which is a much more rigid and strict environment compared to public high school, but both experiences were great.

TT: How do you find a balance between classes and sports at MIT?

'Everyone on the team is great friends with one another and that helps us get through the grind.'

Mitchell Kates
ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

MK: Balancing the two can be difficult at times, especially in post season where we were off-campus three days a week. There is definitely time to balance both. I am currently taking 66 units, and there are times where I feel a little overwhelmed, but I enjoy the challenge.

TT: Describe your life as a member of the basketball team.

MK: Currently we are in the off season, during which we lift four days a week and play pick-up three days a week. The spring is a great time to catch up on some work that has backed up during the end of the season. During the season, we play on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and practice is from 5 to 7 p.m. I really look forward to the summer. I am working in New Jersey (where I live), and there are some great summer leagues by the shore that I will play in.

TT: What is the most intense class that you are taking now?



TOM GEART

Mitchell H. Kates '13 hustles past a defender in the Final Four game against Wisconsin-Whitewater on March 16.

MK: 6.170 (Web Programming). Although it is a great class with a lot of real world applications, it is definitely my most time consuming class. However, I enjoy all the projects and I get a chance to work with some great new web technologies.



KENNETH C. CHEUNG

Four MIT riders in prime position fight for intermediary sprint points.

Cycling team wins ECCC title

Quinn and Bry earn individual season leader jerseys

By Matthieu Talpe
TEAM REPRESENTATIVE

Two months ago, the MIT cycling team kicked off the Eastern Collegiate Cycling Conference (ECCC) road season with a near perfect team performance at the Rutgers' "Frozen Toed Season Opener." After eight consecutive race weekends of consistent top results, the MIT cycling team held an

unattainable lead in the team standings. Captains Adam P. Bry G and Katie J. Quinn G were assured to finish with the male and female individual season leader jerseys coming into the regular season finale, the "Live Free or Ride Harder" race weekend hosted by the University of New Hampshire on April 28 and 29.

In fact, twenty-four MIT cyclists attended and, boosted by high placing in all three races, the MIT team concluded an exceptional season by edging out the University of New

Hampshire on its home turf and bringing home the ECCC trophy.

The MIT cycling team is sending six men and four women to the USA Cycling Collegiate Road National Championships, held May 4 through May 6 in Ogden, UT. Friday's event will consist of a 20-mile team time trial, followed Saturday by a 1-mile, 8-corner criterium race in downtown Ogden. The weekend will end with a road race that will include a four-mile long ascent up to 6,000 feet.



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The MIT cycling team won the Easter Collegiate Conference Cycling Championships last weekend, beating out top teams such as West Point and Harvard.

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UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Friday, May 4

Track and field vs. New England Division III Championship *TBA,*
Steinbrenner Stadium

Saturday, May 5

Track and field vs. New England Division III Championship *TBA,*
Steinbrenner Stadium

Women's openweight crew vs. Boston College Cup Race *TBA, Charles River*

Men's lacrosse vs. Pilgrim League Championship *TBA, Roberts Field*